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On page 5, line 27, insert --°-- after "30".

On page 7, line 10, insert --,-- after "hormones".

On page 10, line 10, replace "flurohydrocortisone" with --fluorohydrocortisone--.

On page 11, lines 20 and 22, replace "terephthalate" with --terephthalate--.

On page 14, line 16, insert a new paragraph before "*Antitoxins*."

On page 17, line 25, replace "terephthalate" with --terephthalate--.

After page 20, on new page 21, please insert the following title and paragraph:

--ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

The invention relates to a process for molding a copolymer of a polyalkylene glycol terephthalate and an aromatic ester, comprising the steps of: a) preparing a solution of the copolymer in a suitable first solvent; and b) forming a gel of the solution.--

New page 21 of the application with the abstract is also being herewith submitted.

In the Claims:

In claim 1, line 1, replace "terephthalate" with --terephthalate-- as follows:

1. (Amended) A process for molding a copolymer of a polyalkylene glycol terephthalate and an aromatic ester, comprising the steps of
  - a) preparing a solution of the copolymer in a suitable first solvent; and
  - b) forming a gel of the solution.

In claim 3, line 10, insert --to-- before "claim 1" and delete "or 2"; and on line 11 insert --°-- before "20" as follows:

3. (Amended) A process according to claim 1 wherein the solution is prepared at a temperature of 20° - 200°C.

In claim 4, line 12, delete "any of the preceding claims" and substitute --claim 1-- as follows:

4. (Amended) A process according to claim 1, wherein the solution comprises between 5 and 90 wt.%, based on the weight of the solution, of the copolymer.

In claim 5, line 15, delete "any of the preceding claims" and substitute --claim 1-- as follows:

5. (Amended) A process according to claim 1, wherein an additive is added to the solution, which additive is chosen from the group of calcium phosphates and biologically active agents.

In claim 6, line 19, delete "any of the preceding claims" and substitute --claim 1-- as follows:

6. (Amended) A gel obtainable by a process according to claim 1.

In claim 7, line 21, delete "any of claims 1-5" and substitute --claim 1-- as follows:

7. (Amended) A process according to claim 1, wherein the gel is placed in a second suitable solvent to obtain a solid body of the copolymer.

In claim 9, line 27, delete "or 8" as follows:

9. (Amended) A process according to claim 7, wherein the gel is placed in an amount of at least 300 vol.%, with respect to the volume of the gel, of the second solvent.

In claim 10, line 30, delete "any of claims 1-6" and substitute --claim 1-- as follows:

10. (Amended) A process according to claim 1, wherein the gel is freeze-dried to obtain a solid body of the copolymer.

In claim 11, line 33, delete "claims 7-10" and substitute --claim 7-- as follows:

11. (Amended) A solid body obtainable by a process according to claim 7.


In second, misnumbered claim 11 on page 20, line 1, please change the claim number to --12-- as follows:

12. (Amended) The use of a solid body according to claim 10 as a scaffold for tissue engineering or a bone filler cement.

Applicants respectfully request entry and consideration of the amendments.

Respectfully submitted,

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